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SERVICE IS BAD.

A recent editorial article in The Lancaster News, having found its way to the postoffice department, seems to have raised the ire of the esteemed postmaster at Lancaster, who comes around to the office and requests that we back up our statements with a list of people who are of the same opinion.

The Lancaster News wishes to say that it has not considered what part of the bad service may be laid at Postmaster Moore's door; indeed, it is potent that Mr. Moore has nothing to do with the train service, which is largely responsible for the poor mail service, and if Mr. Moore is responsible for the order which holds the Sunday 12:55 mail at the depot until Monday morning, this fact was not known to us at the time the editorial article, which has excited Mr. Moore's even temperament, was printed.

Mr. Moore says that no one has "kicked" on the regulation except The Lancaster News, but granting that is true, there is no indication that the criticism of The Lancaster News was misplaced, because the people are entitled to better service than they are getting.

The editorial referred to appeared in The Lancaster News of February 21, and is as follows:

This may not strike a popular chord in the minds of those who are upholding and advocating "Blue Sundays," but it is nevertheless a fact that the mail service in and out of Lancaster on Sundays is "rotten." For instance, the past Sunday train due here at 9:25 a. m., from York did not wait at Rock Hill for train 31 and thereby missed all mail from the north. This mail then was brought to Lancaster at 12:55, but remained at the depot until Monday morning.

Apparently there is little, if any, reason why this train should not wait for No. 31, and if there is any sufficient reason, then the mail brought here on the 12:55 train should be brought up to the postoffice and distributed through the boxes.

NO MORE CARNIVALS.

Governor Cooper has signed the act to prohibit carnivals and like tented shows from exhibiting in South Carolina except at state and county fairs. Whatever the legislature may not have done, this is one of the good things it did.

The text of the act, which is now law, is as follows:

"Section 1. Be it enacted by the general assembly of the state of South Carolina, That on and after approval of this act, no carnivals and no traveling shows exhibiting under tents shall be allowed licenses or allowed to exhibit within this state: Provided, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to circuses, which may be licensed for a time not exceeding 48 hours at one place in any one year; and provided, further, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to chauntaus and carnivals at state and county fairs: Provided, That only carnivals to which no games of chance or gambling devices are attached shall be allowed to exhibit in this state, provided this shall not apply to dog and pony shows. "Section 2. Any person violating

the provisions of this act shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisonment of not more than three months for each day said tent shows and carnivals are exhibited. "Section 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed."

FIGHT THE BOLL WEEVIL BY RAISING MORE HOGS.

According to the 1920 census, South Carolina has 192,693 farms with only 141,946 head of breeding hogs, including scrubs and prebreds or fall breeds, an average of about one brood sow to each two farms.

One fact that stands out in the fight on the boll weevil is that with more "hogs and hominy" on the farms and less cotton, the inroads of the boll weevil would not cut so deep.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture gave out a statement, recently in which it was estimated that \$20,000,000 is wasted annually by farmers in America by feeding scrub swine. South Carolina has 21,282 head of purebred hogs, all breeds included, which means that there is only one purebred hog for each ten farms.

According to D. F. Efrid, of Columbia, secretary of the South Carolina state fair board, that association has been endeavoring to popularize the purebred hog in this state, and thereby increase the production of swine on our farms, by inducing large and classy exhibits of swine at the annual state fair. Mr. Efrid announces that arrangements have been made with the Poland China breed promotion committee, of Peoria, Illinois, for a futurity show for the 1922 fair, carrying \$1,000 in prize money. The fair and the committee each guaranteeing fifty per cent of the money.

This purse, in addition to the money offered by the fair association in the open classes, will make the prize money for this one breed aggregate nearly \$1,600 and consequently will draw a large show.

According to the terms of the futurity show, breeders will be eligible to compete for the premiums on condition that they nominate their herd by March 15, with the Poland China breed promotion committee by the payment of \$5. There must be at least twenty herds nominated for the show to be assured.

Breeders in any adjoining state where there is no futurity show are eligible to enter the South Carolina show provided they nominate. Futurity exhibitors are eligible to the open classes.

SESSIONS COURT IS GRINDING ITS WAY

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with intent to kill, verdict not guilty.

When The News went to press argument had commenced in the trial of Willie Miles, charged with the killing of Cousar Williams.

PLANTING IS TWO TO FIVE WEEKS BEHIND IN GEORGIA

Atlanta, Ga., March 13.—Planting by farmers and truckers is from two to five weeks behind in Georgia this year due to the unprecedented rainfall in many portions of the state, according to reports received here by the local weather bureau and state and federal agricultural agents.

Heavy rains this week have converted many rivers in northern Georgia into torrents which are sweeping over their banks into farm lands, especially in the Chatahochee, Oconee, Ocmulgee, Etowah, Flint and Oostanaula valleys, while in the southern parts of the state much high water is reported.

Styles Have Changed.

Chicago, March 13.—A petition in involuntary bankruptcy was filed today against Theodore Bear, said to be the inventor of the "teddy bear," a woman's garment. His financial difficulties were caused by competition and changes in the styles. It was claimed.

Bonus Child of Congress.

Greenville, S. C., March 13.—Addressing the Greenville post of the American legion here today, Hanford MacNider, national commander of the legion, declared that the bonus legislation now before congress "was initiated by and is a child of congress."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADJOURNS AT LAST

Both Houses Wait Through Night and Sunday Morning on Conference Committee.

Columbia, S. C., March 13.—After being in session, with various recesses, since 10:30 o'clock Saturday morning, the general assembly adjourned sine die at 3:38 o'clock Sunday afternoon, having finally passed and ratified the annual appropriation bill, providing for the expenditure by the state during 1922 of \$5,839,106.04 and carrying a state-wide levy on real property of seven mills, a reduction of five mills as compared with the levy of 1921. The session had run 20 days beyond the 40-day limit.

Adjournment Sunday afternoon was reached only after a long vigil by both houses, lasting through Saturday night and Sunday morning, while the conference committee worked on the annual appropriation bill. The senate completed its consideration of this measure Friday night and the conference committee began work on the bill Saturday morning. All through the day and night the three senators and three representatives debated the bill and rewrote it while the two houses sat and waited for their report. It was not until 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon that the committee completed its task and sent its report and the rewritten bill to the houses, to be adopted later by both, ratified and sent to the governor for his signature. The senate agreed to the conference report almost without debate. The house, however, gave its acquiescence only after lengthy argument.

Wentz. Mrs. Dillie Maude Wentz, nee Parks, was born near Bethel church in Lancaster county, December 7, 1892, and passed to the better life above, October 22, 1921. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Mobley Parks, and was converted and joined the Methodist church in early childhood, of which she lived a faithful member till death.

On April 21, 1915, she was married to W. A. Wentz, of Chester. An only daughter was born to this happy union, Virginia C. She, with the father, six sisters and two brothers, survive to mourn her daughter.

Mrs. Wentz was of modest and quiet disposition, but courage was never lacking when circumstances required an expression of her religious conviction. She was stricken with the malady that caused her death two years before the end came. All that love and care could do was done, but in vain. She bore her illness with resigned fortitude and cheer; and when the summons came she was ready. Truly a good woman has left us. But her memory still blesses those who knew her and hope to meet her on the Resurrection morn.—E. R. Mason in Southern Christian Advocate.

New Ideas for the State.

It is reported that a play entitled "The Island of Monkeys," in which the players are all to be dressed in the guise of various sorts of apes, is shortly to be produced in Milan, Italy. In view of Rostand's successful dramatization of the dwellers of a barnyard, one will wait until after the premiere to say that it can't be done. Then there was the opera "Woodland," in which all the characters were birds. David Belasco's press department for some time nourished a rumor that the producer had in preparation a drama in which all the characters were insects. This manager secured very nearly as much publicity for this odd notion as William Gillette did for his persistently repeated intention to play Hamlet. Dramatic editors in many cities devoted many columns to argument that the ideal impersonator of Sherlock Holmes would not make an even passable prince of Denmark.—Christian Science Monitor.

Dates of Easter.

The last time Easter occurred on April 19 was in 1808; on April 20 it was in 1919; on April 21 it was 1889; on April 22 it was 1832; on April 23 it was in 1916; on April 24 it was 1859; on April 25 it was in 1896. April 25 is the latest possible date for Easter and March 22 is the earliest possible date. Easter will occur on this latest possible date only once again in this century, in 1943.

Question of Jurisdiction.

Judge Salom Carter, of Superior court, recently was called on to hear the divorce case of George vs. Martha Washington. When the combatants for matrimonial freedom arrived, they were colored folks. Judge Carter, with his fine sense of humor glanced at the complaint, smiled at the attorney for the plaintiff, and said:

"George versus Martha Washington, I don't believe this court would have jurisdiction. Shouldn't this go to Virginia?" George Washington looked up at the judge, shook his head negatively and exclaimed: "No, Judge, not Virginia—she's from Indiana, avenue"—Indianapolis News.

LOCAL NEWS

Boys' Club Work.

About 60 boys of Lancaster county have sent their names in for enrollment in the various Boys' Clubs to be conducted in the county this year. Any boy or girl desiring to enroll in this work should do so at once. Mr. B. O. Williams, assistant state agent of Boys' Club Work is in the county this week helping organize several community clubs.

Baptist Donate Liberally.

Of the \$30,356.391 in cash received by the Baptist \$75,000,000 campaign to date the Baptists of South Carolina have contributed \$2,534,785.52, it is announced by the Baptist headquarters in Columbia. Of the total receipts, \$28,799,971.15 came in through the payment of regular campaign subscriptions and the remaining \$1,556,348.26 in special contributions to designated objects fostered by the campaign. Of the regular campaign contributions throughout the territory of the Southern Baptist convention, foreign missions has received \$5,434,012.53; home missions, \$3,562,600.67; state missions, \$4,954,813.26; Christian education, embracing the 120 Baptist schools and colleges and theological seminaries owned and controlled by Southern Baptists, \$7,192,442.79; hospitals, \$2,004,999.16; orphanages, \$2,103,787.33, and the relief and annuity board, which ministers to aged dependent preachers and their families, \$799,126.99.

Last Call For Wire Fencing.

A number of farmers are planning to put more land under fence this year, and to decrease the cost of fencing are buying the fencing co-operatively. Any farmers interested in doing this should see their county agent at once, as orders will close at an early date for co-operative buying.

S. C. MEDICAL SOCIETY TO MEET IN ROCK HILL

Rock Hill, March 11.—The annual meeting of the South Carolina Medical society will be held in Rock Hill in April and the local physicians are engaged in planning for the entertainment features. Between 400 and 500 physicians from all parts of the state are expected to be in attendance, and the program committee is understood to be mapping out a program of more than usual interest. The doctors of the state are deeply interested in Winthrop college, and the entertainment plans will probably call for a reception at the college. The Fennell infirmary and the Dr. Summer hospital will be visited, and it is probable that a clinic will be held at the first named.

\$100,000,000 for Toys.

The people of the United States spent more than \$100,000,000 for toys and games during 1921. The National City bank announces that the factory value of toys manufactured here more than trebled when the war cut us off from Germany, formerly the chief source of our toy imports. In 1919, the value of toys made here was \$46,000,000 as against \$14,000,000 in 1914. Toy imports fell from \$8,000,000 in the year before the war to \$1,000,000 in 1918. In 1920 imports rose to \$6,000, and this year to \$10,000,000. Capital engaged in the industry here advanced from \$10,000,000 in 1914 to \$25,000,000 in 1919. Exports of American toys advanced from less than \$1,000,000 in the year before the war to \$4,000,000 in 1920.—New York Sun.

Wifely Solicitude.

"Jack, dear," said Mrs. Youngbude, "I fear you are worrying about the household details." "What do you mean, Helen?" "You were talking in your sleep again last night and every little while you'd say, 'Give me some more chips.' You really must get your mind off the woodpile, dear."—Boston Transcript.

In Days Beyond Recall.

"Talking about expensive drinks," said Hoozem, "what about the one in which Cleopatra dissolved the pearl?" "That's nothing!" returned Joakley. "I have put a whole mint in a julep myself."—Boston Transcript.

Houses Built to Last.

Except those that have been built in a hurry since the war, the houses and office buildings of Belgium are constructed of stone and brick and intended to serve at least 100 years.

Pet Dogs of Berliners.

Pet dogs have become so popular among the feminine population of Berlin that theater managers have been compelled to install rooms where the dogs may be checked. Some patrons complain that none of the theaters has made similar provision for checking babies, and think this is unwarranted discrimination. During the intermissions the women repair to the "dog room" and feed the animals with bits of sandwiches, which it has become the custom for theater-goers to eat between the acts.—New York Evening Post.

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